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### **MEXICAN CITIZEN SENTENCED TO PRISON FOR ATTEMPTING TO BRING IN ILLEGAL ALIEN BOY**

**TUCSON, ARIZONA** –The United States Attorneys Office for the District of Arizona, announced that on December 6, 2004, Alma Leticia Campos, DOB (12/4/67), a Mexican citizen and a permanent resident alien of Tucson, Arizona, was sentenced to 18 months in prison to be followed by 2 years supervised release, by United States District Judge Frank R. Zapata, in Tucson, Arizona.

On January 22, 2004, Alma Leticia Campos attempted to enter the United States from the Republic of Mexico at the Grand Avenue Port of Entry in Nogales, Arizona. Ms. Campos was in the pedestrian lane at the port of entry and she was accompanied by a 9 year-old boy. She claimed that he was her cousin's son and presented a U.S. birth certificate for the boy. Ms. Campos was referred to the secondary inspection area for questioning because the inspectors remembered her from having come into the United States earlier in the day with another child.

In the secondary inspection area, the boy was interviewed and gave his true name and immigration status. Ms. Campos subsequently confessed that the boy was an illegal alien and that she was to be paid an

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uncertain amount of money to bring him into the United States. Inspectors determined that the child she brought into the United States earlier in the day was the 9 year-old's brother.

Ms. Campos pled guilty to Conspiracy to Bring in Illegal Aliens in violation of Title 8, United States Code, Sections 1324(a)(1)(A)(ii), 1324(a)(1)(A)(v)(I), and 1324 (a)(1)(B)(i), a felony, on May 27, 2004.

The investigation in this case was conducted by Special Agent Luis Munoz of Customs and Bureau Enforcement in Nogales, Arizona.

The prosecution was handled by Raquel Arellano, Assistant United States Attorney, District of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona.

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